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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my feelings about the antitrust settlement made between Microsoft and the Department of Justice. I feel the settlement reached is more than Microsoft should have agreed to in the first place. Not only has this damaged Microsoft, but it has also hurt the economy and the rest of the IT industry.

Microsoft has taken many steps to help put this issue to rest. They have agreed to document and disclose for use by its competitors various interfaces that are internal to Windows' operating system products. In conjunction with this they have agreed to a uniform price list. This means that Microsoft will license its Windows operating system products to the 20 largest computer makers on identical terms and conditions, including price.

It is obvious that I feel this issue needs to be resolved. This agreement is a step in the right direction.

Sincerely,

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